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Dear Mom & Dad,

I got your two letters today - the one from you and the one from Jimmy. Yesterday, we got the doll clothes. Diane was so excited when she opened it, and we both love the outfits! It made me want to grab Diane's doll and play with them myself. The dresses ^{& pants} are just gorgeous, and they all fit so well - even better than the store ones which are a little too small. I don't see how you did it all so fast. I hope you make more, as it keeps Diane busy for hours at a time.

Your trip into Hershey Park sounded like fun. I've never been there, and think it would be fun to go on one of the walks.

Diane is doing just great. She's eating very well, and her

system is all regular again. Catherine is over, and they are playing Barbies and watching television in the guest room.

Sue was over last weekend before Mike left, and said Helen is through with her temporary teaching job. I guess they don't plan to come back here this fall, but still want to come over there for one of Mike's fundraisers.

I got a kit to make Christmas tree ornaments, which I enjoy doing in the evenings and while watching television. They are really turning out to be cute, and Diane just loves playing with each one when it's finished.

Dickie wrote a nice letter, and really seems to be busy, and having fun. She's taking 2 classes. They plan to be here sometime in January, ~~so~~ but I don't know yet if it will be before we leave. Love, Mary
